

House Resolution No. 1175

Whereas, it is with tremendous pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to express a hearty Show-Me State welcome to visitors who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Sharif Hasan Nadir has developed and maintained an exceptional reputation as a public speaker who applies his personal knowledge and experiences to help people overcome the burden of drug dependency in favor of a life of creativity and productivity; and

Whereas, Sharif Nadir has traveled extensively throughout the nation to lecture at gatherings of the Urban League, Saint Marks Community Center, Veterans Administration Hospital for Drug Rehabilitation, Jaycees of Baton Rouge, Southern University, Bilal Ibn Rabah Center, World Trade Center of New Orleans, Imani Temple African-American Catholic Congregation, and Landry High School; at Kwanza celebrations; at the Unsung Heroes banquet of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Gretna, Louisiana; at the Community Benefit of Marlon, Texas; and at banquets in Slidell, Monroe, Opelousas, Natchitoches, and Shreveport, Louisiana, and in the Tampa Bay Convention Center of Tampa, Florida; and

Whereas, Sharif Nadir has presented his highly positive message to inmates in Angola Prison, Atlanta Federal Prison, Atmore Prison, El Reno Prison, Texas Federal Institution, Dixon Correctional Institute, Saint Gabriel's Women's Prison, Huntsville Prison System, Hunts Correctional Institution, Washington Correctional Institution, and Jackson Barracks Work-Training Facility South Prison; and

Whereas, Sharif Nadir began studying the social reforming teachings of Elijah Mohammed and Warith Deen Mohammed, applied his new knowledge to his own life, and subsequently authored African-American Man Lost From His Own Reality, Drugs: The Modern Day Slavemaster, and Why Is My Head Turned On Backwards; and

Whereas, on Friday, March 11, 2005, Sharif Nadir will serve as the guest speaker at a program of the Muslim Student Association on the Saint Louis Community College at Forest Park campus:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to welcome Sharif Nadir to the state of Missouri and to convey to him this legislative body's sincerest best wishes for success as the guest speaker in the Muslim Student Association program at Saint Louis Community College at Forest Park; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Sharif Hasan Nadir of New Orleans, Louisiana.

Offered by _____
Representative Yaphett El-Amin
District No. 57

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1175, adopted March 10, 2005.

